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In re Application of

MICHAEL HOUGHTON et al.

Serial No. 08/441,355

Group Art Unit: 1643

Filed: May 15, 1995

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For: PROCESS FOR SCREENING FOR HCV (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a further amendment to the amendment filed June 24, 2003.

_____ Applicant petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the total number of months checked below:

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| _____ one month | \$ 110.00 |
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X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required with this paper because an extension of time was requested and the subsequent fee was submitted with the amendment filed June 24, 2003. However, if any additional extension and/or fee is required, please charge Deposit Account No. 03-1664. **THIS IS NOT AN AUTHORIZATION TO PAY THE ISSUE FEE.**

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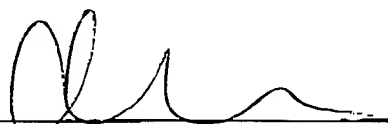
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